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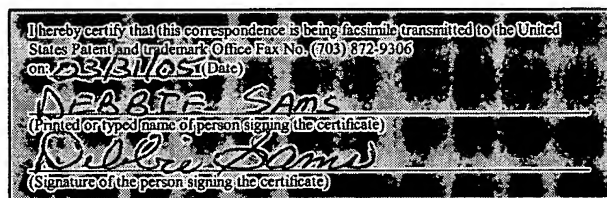
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PATENT

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Applicant: Gregory Chockler
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

The Applicants have carefully considered this application in connection with the Examiner's Action mailed January 4, 2005, and respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following remarks.